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MAY 01 1991 Mr. Clifford G. Day Field Supervisor U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service 927 North Main Street (Bldg. D) Pleasantville, New Jersey 08232

Dear Mr. Day:

This letter is intended to initiate informal consultation with the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service to determine if there are any federal endangered/threatened species or critical habitats present in the vicinity of the Dayco/L.E. Carpenter National Priorities List Site. This site is located in Wharton, Morris County, New Jersey. I have enclosed information regarding the site, including maps of the affected area, for your review.

In compliance with the mandate of Section 7 of the Endangered Species Act of 1973, as amended, EPA is requesting a written statement from you indicating whether any endangered or threatened species which are listed or proposed to be listed may be present in the project area. Please advise us concerning the range of territory covered by any federal endangered/threatened species that may be found in the area, and whether remedial action for the site may result in impacts to these species.

If you have any questions or require additional information, please contact Susan Osofsky of my staff at (212) 264-6716. We appreciate your assistance in this matter.

Sincerely yours,

Robert W. Hargrove, Chief Environmental Impacts Branch

Enclosure

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